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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- I. <u>Amendments to the Claims</u> begin on page 2 of this response;
- II. Remarks begin on page 3 of this response; and
- III. <u>Conclusion</u> begins on page 6 of this response.